GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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INVOLVEMENT OF NDMC OFFICERS IN CORRUPTION CASES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers of New Delhi Municipal Council punished in corruption cases during the last three years till date;

(b) the number of the officers against whom CBI inquiry is going on;

(c) the details about the allegations levelled against them; and

(d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to check corruption in NDMC?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSO PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK)

(a): During the last three years till date, there was no case in which an officer of the New Delhi Municipal Council was punished in connection with an offence under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

(b)&(c): There are three cases involving officers/employees of the New Delhi Municipal Council under investigation of the CBI, as per details given below:

(1) RC-74(A)96 dated the 27th September, 1996:-

CBI have since filed a chargesheet against a private person but the possible role of the officials of NDMC in connection with the offence allegedly committed by the said private person is under examination;

(2) PE-18(A)2002-DLI dated the 26th December, 2002

It is alleged that on receipt of an invitation from Hounslow Cricket and Sports Club, U.K. to participate in a cricket tournament in England, the NDMC team consisting of 18 members left India on 19.08.2001 and returned on 09.09.2001.However, three members of the team were reported to be missing and failed to return to India alongwith other members of the team; and

(3) RC-25(A)2003-DLI dated the 3rd April, 2003

The allegation relates to a conspiracy in which a deal for payment and acceptance of bribe for non-demolition of an unauthorized lift constructed on DDA land and its regularization was settled.

(d): The steps taken to check corruption in the New Delhi Municipal Council include appointment of a full-time Chief Vigilance Officer in the Council; strengthening the system for registration of public grievances against the municipal officials; close watch on the activities of suspect officials; and strict departmental action as per rules against those found guilty of misconduct.